



FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

DIVISION OF CITIZENS SERVICES

Office for Children & Families

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Frederick County Local Care Team

The Frederick County Local Care Team (LCT) is a subcommittee of the Frederick County Local Management Board. The LCT strives to ensure that children and their families receive the necessary supports and resources to live in the community successfully.

The LCT is an interagency* forum for parents and service providers to seek assistance with problem solving for the individual child and family needs and systemic needs. Through discussion, the LCT assists with the identification of potential resources to meet identified needs of the child and parents. Referrals to the LCT can be made by a parent or a service provider (a school counselor, therapist) utilizing the LCT referral form. The LCT referral form and Parent Consent form can be found on the Office for Children and Families' [website](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/ocf) at www.frederickcountymd.gov/ocf.

Parent or guardian permission is required to discuss a child's case at the LCT; NO services will be provided to a child without parent/guardian knowledge and permission.

Our Local Care Team can:

- **Help** children with intensive needs receive assistance with the identification of those needs and suggest potential resources and services to meet the identified needs
- **Refer** children and families to care management entities when appropriate
- **Open** doors to make connections to available local and community resources
- **Connect** to Advocates, Systems Navigator and Family Navigator
- **Explore** the need for a diagnostic evaluation and/or residential treatment center
- **Discuss** a request for a Voluntary Placement Agreement (VPA) for a child with a development disability or a mental illness under 5-525 of the Family Law Article
- **Listen** to your concerns or worries
- **Utilize** the information gathered to improve the entire system

The LCT meets on the third Monday of most months. In cases of a VPA and/or a diagnostic bed becomes available, an emergency LCT meeting can be scheduled. The meetings are held at the Office for Children & Families, 401 Sagner Avenue Frederick, MD 21701. **To make a referral to the LCT**, please contact: [Jennifer Barker-Frey](mailto:jbarker-frey@frederickcountymd.gov), Office for Children and Families at 301-600-3536 or via e-mail: jbarker-frey@frederickcountymd.gov.

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